

Atty., Dkt. No. 056859-0107 Application Serial No. 09/655,710

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Suman Preet Singh KHANUJA et al.

Title:

A COMPOSITION COMPRISING

PHARMACEUTICAL/NUTRACEUTICAL AGENT AND A BIO-

ENHANCER OBTAINED FROM GLYCYRRHIZA GLABRA

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Examiner:

Susan D. Coe

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### REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:
  - Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_.

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| Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on | but |
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| not considered.   |     |

| [ ] | Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 |
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|     | C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on  |

| [ | ] | Other |  |
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#### b. Enclosed are:

- [X] Preliminary Amendment.
- [ ] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- [ ] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [ ] Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_ listed reference(s).
- [] Other.

#### Miscellaneous:

[ ] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

|                    | Claims<br>as<br>Amended |         | Previously<br>Paid For |        | Extra<br>Claims<br>Present |       | Rate       |   | Fee Totals |
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| RCE Fee<br>1.17(e) | 74                      |         |                        |        |                            |       | \$740.00   |   | \$740.00   |
| Total Claims:      | 48                      |         | 48                     | =      | 0                          | _ ×   | \$18.00    | = | \$0.00     |
| Independents:      | 3                       | _       | 3                      | =      | 0                          | _ x   | \$84.00    | = | \$0.00     |
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[ ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| \$110.00  | Extension for response filed within the first month:   | [ ]  |  |
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| \$400.00  | Extension for response filed within the second month:  | []   |  |
| \$920.00  | Extension for response filed within the third month:   | []   |  |
| \$1,440.00  | Extension for response filed within the fourth month:  | [ ]  |  |
| \$1,960.00  | Extension for response filed within the fifth month:   | [ ]  |  |
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| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:                               |  |  |  |
| [ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):            |  |  |  |
| [ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) |  |  |  |
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|   | \$400.00<br>\$920.00<br>\$1,440.00<br>\$1,960.00<br>N FEE TOTAL:<br>N FEE TOTAL:<br>t ½ of above): | Extension for response filed within the second month: \$400.00  Extension for response filed within the third month: \$920.00  Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,440.00  Extension for response filed within the fifth month: \$1,960.00  EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:  CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:  Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):  Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) |  |

- [X] A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter the following amendments to the enclosed application.

#### IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 27 as proposed below. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(c)(1), a marked-up version of the claims is set forth at the end of this response under the heading "Marked-up Version of the Claims."

1. (Amended) A composition comprising (i) an effective amount of an extract or compound obtained from the plant *Glycyrrhiza glabra* and (ii) a therapeutically effective amount of one or more nutraceuticals, antibiotics, anti-infective agents and anti-cancer agents, wherein said effective amount of said extract or said compound is insufficient for said extract by itself or said compound by itself to be a therapeutically effective nutraceutical, antibiotic, anti-infective agent or anti-cancer agent, and wherein said extract or said compound is effective as a bio-enhancer and bioavailability facilitator.

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